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This book compiles black and white photographs of 49 one-room (and occasionally two-room) schoolhouses in Arkansas. The book aims to share the vision of these special buildings that were so important in shaping the educational system, communities, and lives. An introduction describes the pinhole cameras that were used and how the different effects achieved in the photographs were a direct result of the the design and characteristics of the pinhole camera. There is one photograph of each school, with its name and a short description on the facing page. Descriptions include architectural features, present condition and use, and available history. The afterword comments on the special characteristics of one-room schools and their unique place in American history, and includes testimony from a former student of a one-room school and from a teacher who started her teaching career of over 30 years in a one-room school. Appendix lists the schools; their approximate locations; the type of camera, film, and filter used; and exposure times. (TD)

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